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1. TODAY DIRGEN DAVIGNON CALLED TO SAY THAT
FONMIN VAN ELSLANDE WISHES US TO KNOW THAT
INTRA-GOVERNMENTAL CONSULTATIONS ON EAG A*E MOVING
WELL, AND THAT HE EXPECTS GOB TO COME OUT IN
FAVOR OF TYPE OF EAG AS DESCRIBED BY SECRETARY
KISSINGER IN SAN CLEMENTE PRESS CONFERENCE. HE SAID
THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THAT US WOULD SOON APPROACH
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GOVERNMENTS ON EAG. HE CONSIDERS IT IMPORTANT THAT US AND EC-9, BEFORE THEY MEET WITH OTHER CONSUMERS

AND PRODUCERS, CONSULT WITH ONE ANOTHER DISCREETLY THROUGH APPROPRIATE CHANNELS. HE SAID THAT THESE CONS*LTATIONS SHOULD TAKE PLACE IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH A MEETING OF MINDS BEFORE WE GO AHEAD WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF PROPOSALS. THIS PROCEDURE, HE SAID WOULD MAKE IT MUCH EASIER TO QTE CARRY ALONG THE FRENCH UNQTE.

2. COMMENT; IT SEEMS TO US THAT SECRETARY'S PRESS CONFERENCE HAS GIVEN WINGS TO GOB RESPONSE TO US INITIATIVE AND THAT DAVIGNON (SHO SPOKE TO ME WITH SOME URGENCY) WANTS TO MAKE SURE THAT BELGIUM AS WELL AS EC PLAY A ROLE IN DEVELOPING EAG. HE MAY ALSO FEGR THAT FRENCH WOULD USE OUR FAILURE TO CONSULT WITH THE NINE AS AN ARGUMENT AGAINST EAG AS CONCEIVED BY US. STRAUSZ-HUPE

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